

APPEAL NO. 022877
FILED DECEMBER 16, 2002

This appeal arises pursuant to the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, TEX. LAB. CODE ANN. § 401.001 *et seq.* (1989 Act). A contested case hearing was held on October 14, 2002. The hearing officer resolved the disputed issues by deciding that the appellant (claimant) did not sustain a compensable injury on _____, and that he has not had disability. The claimant appealed and the respondent (carrier) responded.

DECISION

The hearing officer's decision is affirmed.

The claimant had the burden to prove that he sustained a compensable injury as defined by Section 401.011(10) and that he has had disability as defined by Section 401.011(16). Conflicting evidence was presented on the disputed issues. While it appears that the claimant was involved in an incident at work, whether that incident caused an injury as claimed was a factual determination to be made by the hearing officer. The hearing officer is the sole judge of the weight and credibility of the evidence. Section 410.165(a). As the finder of fact, the hearing officer resolves the conflicts in the evidence and determines what facts have been established. We conclude that the hearing officer's decision is supported by sufficient evidence and that it is not so against the great weight and preponderance of the evidence as to be clearly wrong and unjust. Cain v. Bain, 709 S.W.2d 175 (Tex. 1986).

The hearing officer's decision and order are affirmed.

The true corporate name of the insurance carrier is **AMERICAN PROTECTION INSURANCE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

**CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY
800 BRAZOS
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701.**

Robert W. Potts
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

Susan M. Kelley
Appeals Judge

Margaret L. Turner
Appeals Judge